

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Inter 31 Application No
PCT/IB2004/002619

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 A01K41/00 A01K41/02

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC 7 A01K

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	NL 1 016 636 C2 (T. METER HOLDING B.V) 22 May 2002 (2002-05-22) cited in the application the whole document -----	1,7,12
A	US 1 725 799 A (HENRION EUGENE C) 27 August 1929 (1929-08-27) the whole document -----	12
A	WO 02/098213 A (KATHOLIEKE UNIVERSITEIT LEUVEN; BERCKMANS, DANIEL, ALBERT; AERTS, JEAN) 12 December 2002 (2002-12-12) cited in the application the whole document -----	1

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

* Special categories of cited documents :

- *A* document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance
- *E* earlier document but published on or after the international filing date
- *L* document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)
- *O* document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means
- *P* document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed

- *T* later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention
- *X* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone
- *Y* document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such documents, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.
- *&* document member of the same patent family

Date of the actual completion of the international search

16 February 2005

Date of mailing of the international search report

23/02/2005

Name and mailing address of the ISA

European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2
NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk
Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl,
Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016

Authorized officer

Van Woensel, G

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International Application No
PCT/IB2004/002619

Patent document cited in search report	Publication date	Patent family member(s)	Publication date
NL 1016636	C2	22-05-2002	AU 2278402 A 27-05-2002
			BR 0115455 A 06-01-2004
			EP 1333718 A1 13-08-2003
			WO 0239812 A1 23-05-2002
			US 2004028115 A1 12-02-2004
US 1725799	A	27-08-1929	NONE
WO 02098213	A	12-12-2002	WO 02098213 A2 12-12-2002
			EP 1392109 A2 03-03-2004
			HU 0400061 A2 28-04-2004
			US 2004199275 A1 07-10-2004